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 Through observations and from official railroad records if was recordated that 28 type=50 locomotives were parked mear Rucdnitz on 16 June 1951. (1) 46 measures indicating an imminent employment of these locomotives were observed. The sensitive parts of the engines were protected by oil paper, and some of the rods were removed.
- 2. On 10 June 1951, it was learned that 20 locomotives, which had been previously kept cold at other places, presumably Beeskow or Rundmitz, were expected to arrive in Frankfurt/Oder. (2)
- 3. At 6 alm. on 13 June 1951, 22 locomotives returning from brigade missions arrived at the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard, allegedly to be thoroughly overhanded. The work would take from 6 to 8 days. (3)
- 4. On 27 May the B (minor repair shop) in Frankfurt/Oder was ordered to transfer four column locomotives with their assigned cabouses to Brest Litovak. The B was notified that the four locomotives would have to remain as a reserve in Brest Litovak until further notice. The order was carried out on the same day. (A)
- 5. Locomotives being kept cold on 8 June 1951 included:
 - 23 in Ducherow (5)
 - 56 la Straeburg, Uckermark (6)
 - 25 in Blumenhagen (6)
 - 27 in Roodnits (1) 25X1X
- 6. Through observation and from official records of the Cotthus regional railroad headquarters it was ascertained on 29 May 1951 that the locomotions of deactivated Locomotive Column No 9 are now being kept cold at Klinge railroad station, 10 km west of Forst. (7)
- 7. From official railroad records it was learned in mid-June 1951 that out of a total of 70 locometives parked at the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard, 30 were being made ready for use. The axle box rods were being refitted. However, coaling-up of the locometives was not observed. (8)

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8. On 8 June 1951, the locomotives of deactivated Locomotive Column No 7 were still in Beeskow and Storkow. (9)

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Comments.

- (1) Refers to the locomotives of Locomotive Column No 3 deactivated in the fall of 1950.
- (2) The intended reinforcement of the four operational locomotive columns in Frankfurt/Oder from the pool of reserve locomotives is reported for the first time. The information requires confirmation. No indications of a planned transfer of the locomotives parked in Ruednitz and Beeskow have been observed. See paragraphs 1, 5 and 8 of the present report.
- (3) This is a routine procedure. After several transit missions the column locomotives are thoroughly overhauled in railroad repair installations.
- (4) The departure, on 27 May, of a train of four column locomotives to Brest Litovsk was reported by another source. See
- (5) Probably falors to the locomotives of deactivated Locomotive Column No 13.
- - (7) The intended transfer of these column reserve locomotives into the Cottbusforst area was reported in mid-May 1951. See
 - (8) This statement may be connected with a similar report furnished by another source. See . The locomotives mentioned are believed to be reserved as of operational Locomotive Columns Nos 2, 4, 5, and 8 stationed in Frankfurt/Oder.
 - (9) 25X1Ams the locomotive reserve parked there since September 1950. See

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